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SUBJ: EC COMMISSION COMMUNICATION TO THE COUNCIL ON
ENERGY ACTION GROUP

1. FOLL WING IN UNOFFICIAL USEC TRANSLATION IS THE TEXT
OF AN EC COMMISSI N COMMUNICATION TO THE COUNCIL ON THE
EAG. THIS STATEMENT WAS RELE SED TO THE PRESS AFTERNOON
OF J NUARY 9. (FOR BACKGROUND, SEE SEPTELS.)
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2. BEGIN TEXT: THE ENERGY CRISIS WHICH HAS DEVELOPED
THROUGHOUT TH WORLD FOR ALMOST THREE MONTHS AS A
RESULT OF THE EVENTS IN THE N A* EAST GIVES A NEW

AND IMPERATIVE REALITY TO THE THESIS THAT THE WORLDWIDE SECURITY OF ENERGY SUPPLIES MUST BE SEEN IN THE CONTEXT OF *ROAD COOPERATION BETWEEN ENERGY PRODUCING AND CONSUMING COUNTRIES. THE COMMISSION HAS, ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS, POINTED OUT THIS NECESSITY -- PARTICULARLY IN ITS COMMUNICATION TO THE COUNCIL OF APRIL 27, 1973, ON "THE GUIDELINES AND PRIORITY ACTIONS FOR A COMMON ENERGY POLICY".

3. THE AMERICAN SECRETARY OF STATE IN A SPEECH GIVEN IN LONDON ON DECEMBER 12 SOLEMNLY EMPHASIZED (THE NEED FOR) COOPERATION IN THE ENERGY FIELD AMONG CONSUMER COUNTRIES, WHILE NOT EXCLUDING THE PARTICIPATION OF PRODUCING COUNTRIES. TO THIS EFFECT, MR. KISSINGER PROPOSED ESSENTIALLY THE CREATION OF AN "ENERGY ACTION GROUP" MADE UP OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM EUROPE, NORTH AMERICA AND JAPAN WHICH WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR DEVELOPING AN INITIAL ACTION PROGRAM IN ALL ENERGY SECTORS.

4. ON DECEMBER 7, 1973, THE AMERICAN SECRETARY OF STATE REPEATED THIS PROPOSAL FOR COOPERATION, AND ON JANUARY 3, DURING A PRESS CONFERENCE, HE ANNOUNCED THAT PRESIDENT NIXON WOULD SHORTLY TAKE INITIATIVES IN THIS AREA -- UNDOUBTEDLY OF A DIPLOMATIC CHARACTER IN THE FIRST INSTANCE.

5. THE MEMBER COUNTRIES OF THE COMMUNITY SHOULD THEREFORE, WITHOUT DELAY, PREPARE TO REACT TO THESE INITIATIVES. THEY MUST DO SO IN THE SPIRIT OF THEIR DECLARATION ON A EUROPEAN IDENTITY, THAT IS, ON A COMMUNITY BASIS, CONSEQUENTLY EXCLUDING NATIONAL RESPONSES WHICH COULD ONLY WEAKEN THE POLITICAL SOLIDARITY WHICH THE COMMUNITY TENDS TO DISPLAY AS EVIDENCE OF ITS EXISTENCE AND ITS IMPORTANCE.

6. THUS -- WITHOUT PREJUDGING THE PRINCIPLES, MODALITIES AND SUBSTANCE OF COOPERATION BETWEEN ENERGY CONSUMING AND UNCLASSIFIED

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PRODUCING COUNTRIES WHICH THEY INTEND TO FOSTER -- THE MEMBER STATES OF THE COMMUNITY SHOULD, BY MEANS OF A COUNCIL DECISION, APPROVE THE PRINCIPLE OF A POSITIVE COMMUNITY RESPONSE TO THE AMERICAN PROPOSAL. MOREOVER AND AS A CONSEQUENCE, THEY SHOULD SIMILARLY DECIDE TO CONSULT AND CONCERT MUTUALLY PRIOR TO ANY CONTACT IN THIS FIELD WITH THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT; THE COMMISSION SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN THESE CONSULTATIONS AND CONTACTS. THE COMMISSION WILL FORMULATE PROPOSALS ON THE SUBSTANCE, ORGANIZATION AND MODALITIES FOR THIS COOPERATION -- PARTICULARLY REGARDING THE DIALOGUE NECESSARY NOT ONLY WITH THE PRODUCING COUNTRIES, BUT ALSO WITH LESS-DEVELOPED CONSUMING COUNTRIES. END TEXT.HARTMAN

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